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Dear Ms. Hesse:

I am strongly opposed to the proposed settlement being offered to Microsoft.

I am dismayed by the lack of remedy this settlement offers to U.S. citizens for Microsoft's anti competitive practices. Specifically, I have been personally damaged from Microsoft's policy of leveraging out of business any OEM that ships personal computers which do not contain a Microsoft Operating System. Microsoft should have no right to force their Operating System and any other bound software, such as Internet Explorer, onto a consumer's personal computer. This is clearly anti competitive, and a blatant misuse of the monopoly power of Microsoft Corp.

Section III.A.2. of the settlement allows Microsoft to retaliate against any OEM that ships Personal Computers containing a competing Operating System but no Microsoft operating system. This is unfair and wrong, and should be illegal based on the judgment against Microsoft.

Thank you for considering my comments.

Sincerely,
Kenneth Galle